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1. UK POSITION ON PSYCHOTROPIC CONVENTION HAS NOT
CHANGED CONSIDERABLY FROM THAT DESCRIBED REFTEL (A).
COMMENTS MADE UN NOV. 29 (REFTEL C) PROMPTED BY DIS-
CUSSIONS HELD IN SPECIALIST WORKING GROUP OF WHO WHICH
MET IN GENEVA IN OCTOBER.

2. AT THAT MEETING POSSIBILITY OF VARYING THE SCHEDULES
WAS DISCUSSED. UK REP LEFT MEETING FEELING THAT THERE
WAS WIDESPREAD CONCERN OVER FACT THAT DRUGS COULD BE
SCHEDULED ON PURELY ARBITRARY OR CAPRIOUS GROUNDS. HE
ALSO FELT THAT CONCERN SUFFICIENTLY WIDESPREAD THAT
EXPERTS WOULD BE RECOMMENDING TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS AND
WHO THAT SCHEDULING DECISIONS BE TAKEN ON SPECIFIC
WELL-DOCUMENTED SCIENTIFIC GROUNDS. UK WAS THUS SUR-
PRISED WHEN FRANCE PROPOSED RESOLUTION SHORTLY AFTER
GENEVA MEETING SUPPORTING CONVENTION AS IT STANDS. IF
CONCERNS OVER CAPRIOUS SCHEDULING CAN BE MET AND REORDER-
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ING OF AND WITHIN SCHEDULES AGREED TO, MOST OF UK PROB-
LEMS WITH CONVENTION WILL EVAPORATE.

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